

IN THE CLAIMS

Claims 13, and 15 to 19 are pending in this application. Please cancel claims 1 to 12 and 14 without prejudice or disclaimer, amend the remaining claims, and add new claims 15 to 19, as follows:

1 – 12. (canceled)

13. (currently amended) A liquid crystal display device comprising, in a liquid crystal side pixel region of one substrate of respective substrate as disposed to oppose each other with a layer of liquid crystal material interposed therebetween, a gate signal line made of a metal, a drain signal line made of a metal being formed over the metallic gate signal line with a dielectric film sandwiched therebetween, a thin-film transistor as driven by a scan signal from said metallic gate signal line, a pixel electrode to which an image signal from said metallic drain signal line is supplied via this thin-film transistor; a protective film formed to also cover said thin-film transistor [[and]], said metallic drain electrode [[plus]] and said pixel electrode; and a resin film formed on or over an upper surface of this protective film, wherein

a counter electrode for generation of an electric field between it and said pixel electrode and a counter voltage signal line made of a metal for supplying a counter voltage thereto are formed on the one substrate side with the metallic counter voltage signal line being formed at the same layer as said scan signal line, and

at least in a display region being an ensemble of said pixel regions, at least three layers of said protective film [[and]], resin film [[plus]] and orientation film are arranged to separate all metal layers from a liquid crystal layer to thereby prevent contact between liquid crystals and metallic materials(s).

14. (canceled)

15. (new) A liquid crystal display device comprising:
first and second substrates with a liquid crystal layer therebetween;
a plurality of metal layers formed on the first substrates;
a orientation film formed on the first substrate and faced to the liquid crystal layer;

wherein protective film and resin film are formed between all of the plurality of metal layers and the orientation film.

16. (new) A liquid crystal display device comprising:
 - first and second substrates with a liquid crystal layer therebetween;
 - a plurality of conductive layers formed on the first substrates;
 - a orientation film formed on the first substrate and faced to the liquid crystal layer;

wherein protective film and resin film are formed between all of the plurality of conductive layers and the orientation film.
17. (new) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 13, wherein the protective film is made of SiN.
18. (new) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 15, wherein the protective film is made of SiN.
19. (new) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 16, wherein the protective film is made of SiN.